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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-8. (Canceled)

9. (New) In a device for delivering fuel from a tank to an internal combustion engine, equipped with a pressure control valve that has a first chamber and a second chamber, which is separated from the first chamber by means of a valve member; the valve member cooperates with a valve seat; and a first connecting conduit situated in the vicinity of the valve seat feeds into the first chamber when the pressure control valve is open, the improvement wherein the valve member comprises a through conduit connecting the first connecting conduit to the second chamber when the pressure control valve is closed.

10. (New) The device according to claim 9, wherein the valve member comprises a diaphragm.

11. (New) The device according to claim 9, wherein the second chamber is embodied as sealed in relation to the atmosphere.

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12. **(New)** The device according to claim 9, wherein the second chamber contains a spring element that prestresses the valve member in the closing direction.

13. **(New)** The device according to claim 9, wherein the pressure control valve is connected parallel to a check valve.

14. **(New)** The device according to claim 13, wherein the check valve is connected in a third pressure line segment and pressure control valve is connected in a fourth pressure line segment; the third pressure line segment permitting a flow in the direction of the engine and the fourth pressure line segment permitting a flow in the direction of the tank.

15. **(New)** The device according to claim 14, further comprising a protective filter connected in the fourth pressure line segment, upstream of a second connecting conduit of the pressure control valve that feeds into the first chamber.

16. **(New)** The device according to claim 15, wherein the protective filter has a mesh aperture of less than 60 micrometers.